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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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For: SINGLE CRYSTAL SIC AND A

METHOD OF GROWING THE SAME

REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION WITH DECLARATIONS

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

The declarations being submitted herewith and the following remarks are being submitted pursuant to the provisions of 37 CFR 1.116 in a bona fide effort to place this application in condition for allowance.